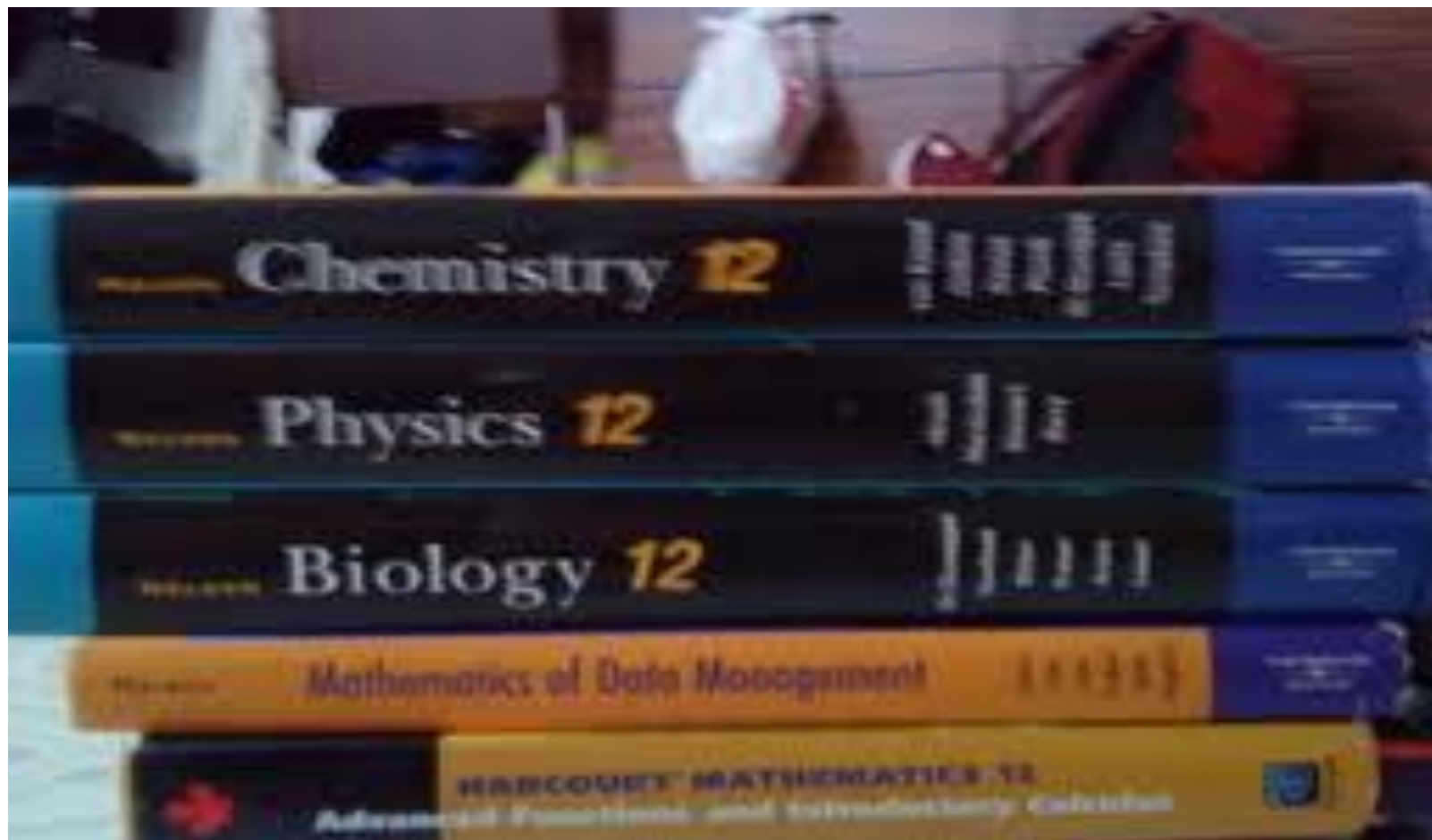


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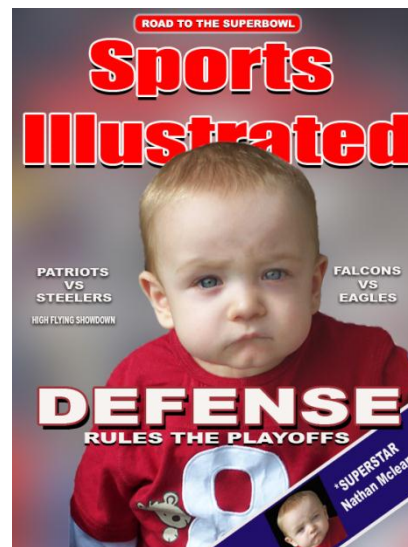
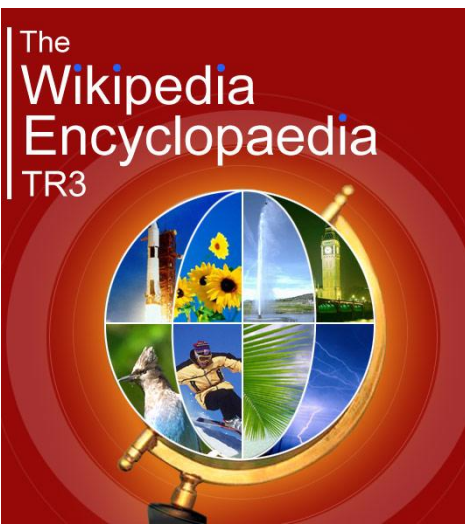
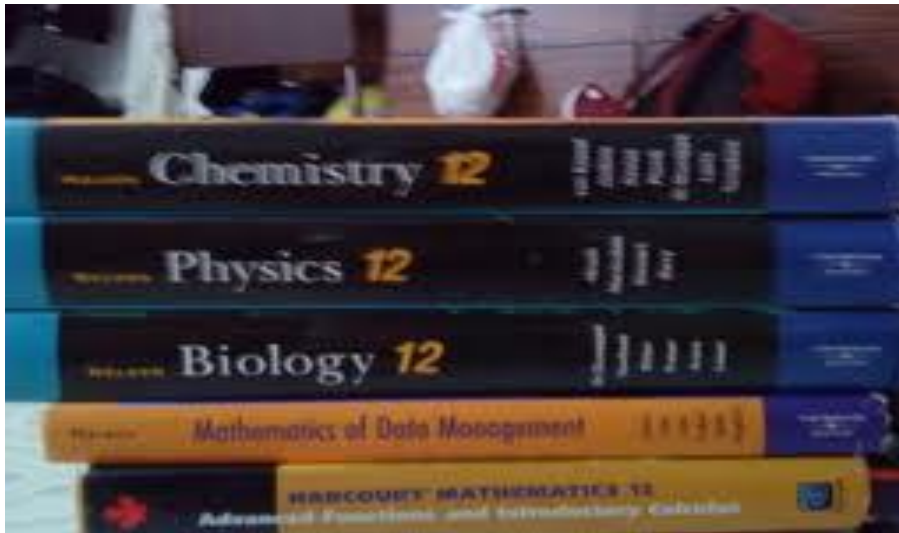
2.1 Informational Text



What is an informational text?

- Anything that was written mainly to explain or give information about a topic is an informational text

What types of reading materials are informational texts?



What are the major elements of an informational text

- The **central purpose** is the focus of an informational text. Its what the author wants you to learn
- A **Major Idea** is the important point made in a section of informational text. The supporting details develop and explain the major or main idea

What are the major elements of an informational text

- **Maps, tables and timelines** are **visual aids** that organize a great deal of information in an easy to use form
- An **index** at the end of a book is an alphabetical list of topics in the book and the pages on which they are mentioned